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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled METHOD FOR IMPROVING THERMAL PROCESS STEPS, the specification of which:

- ☐ is attached hereto.  
☒ was filed on September 4, 2001 as Application Serial No. 09/914,749 and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_.  
☐ was described and claimed in PCT International Application No. PCT/DE00/00655 filed on 03/02/00 and as amended under PCT Article 19 on \_\_\_\_\_.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information I know to be material to patentability in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

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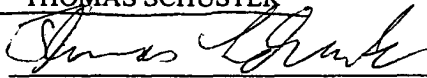
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